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In addition to the attached listed references (both U.S. patents and non-U.S. patent documents, and technical references), also included in this Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is the complete record from an European Patent Office Opposition relating to European Application No. 98-932436.3-2115, which is the European patent application related, in part, to U.S. Patent 6,428,720 (the subject matter of the pending double patenting rejection in the above referenced application). This record can be accessed on line via www.epoline.org. The references discussed in this European opposition are:

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The attached record provides the discussion of the opposer and applicant with respect to the references, as well as the decision of the European Patent Office, which is now on appeal.

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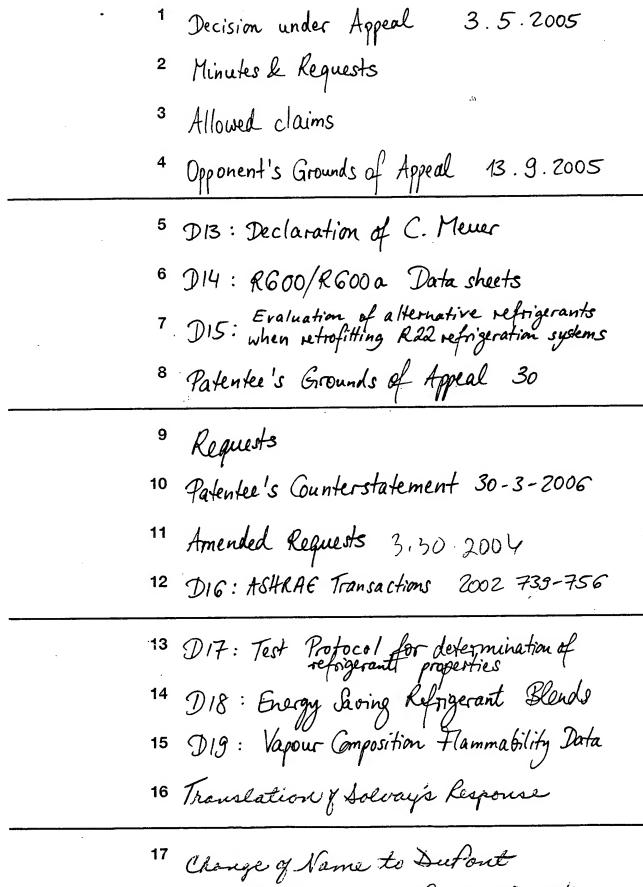
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